Finance Committee Meeting Minutes July 20, 2021

Milton Library 121 Union Street Milton Delaware

Call to order at 4:05 pm.

Richard Baty, Council Treasurer Maurice McGrath Larry Savage, Council Member Stewart Renard

Kristy Rogers, Town Manager

No additions or corrections to the meeting agenda.

Agenda approved, Stewart Renard moved, Maurice McGrath second, all approved.

Meeting Minutes from June 20, 2021, approved, Maurice McGrath moved, Larry Savage second, all approved.

Discussion of Proposed FY 2022 Budget:

No tax rate increase.

Proposed Fee increase.

Five percent salary increase. Milton determined to be at low end of salary scales for police departments of similar size in Delaware. This increase does not consider the recent \$15.00 minimum wage law increase in Delaware recently signed into law.

Water department- one more staff person needed as apparent in the first of a five-year grant report for an asset management program provided for water system.

One additional police officer. Adding an additional canine was discussed but not considered necessary at this time.

One additional code enforcement employee so one person in office and one person available for full time code enforcement.

New bank account created for federal funds from new program. Waiting for guidance on how to use funds.

Planning to be started for new Public Works Building to be built outside flood zone on Sam Lucas Road.

Computer replacement based upon replacement program to keep up with technology.

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Town hall roof and front steps along with police building entrance repairs included in FY2022 budget. Town hall expansion funds not yet included in the budget but included on the capital improvements list for FY2022.

Bulkhead/Parking Lot project funded with most funds from State Bond Bill and ORPT grants, remaining funds from Town Reserve account.

Committee agreed that more employees are needed for Water Department as well as an additional Police officer.

Additionally, the need of IPads for Planning and Zoning Commissioners and additional costs need to be discussed further.

Next meeting to be scheduled for Wednesday July 28, 2021, at 3:00 pm at the Milton Library.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm. Maurice McGrath moved, Larry Savage second, all approved.

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The next meeting of the Milton Finance Committee will be scheduled for Tuesday July 20, 2021, at 3:00 pm at the Milton Library.

Motion to adjourn and by Maurice McGrath, second by Larry Savage, all approved at 3:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Stewart Renard, Secretary